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Dear Gwendolyn Jones,

Planned use of Child Care and Development Fund (CCDF) Coronavirus Response and Relief Supplemental Appropriations Act, 2021 (CRRSA) Funds is as follow:

The lead agency plans to use the CRRSA funds to provide direct childcare services, including childcare subsidy assistance to health care sector employees, emergency responders, sanitation worker, farm and other food service workers, and/or other workers deemed essential or frontline during the response to coronavirus. Our child care facilities are open to Tribal essential staff and emergency responders. We are currently charging co-pays to offset any difficulty families may be having at this time.

The lead agency plans to provide grants to providers to purchase PPE or other needs the programs may have.

The lead agency is currently paying providers by enrollment and not attendance. We plan to provide assistance by purchasing health and safety materials for their facilities.

Due to COVID19, sanitation in our programs is more important than ever before. CCDF Program would like to purchase a Walk Behind Floor Scrubber for sanitation purposes for the 3 programs. Contract maintenance will use this item.

Based on COVID19 and the need for child care, CCDF Program would like to renovate the lower floor (if feasible) for an emergency only child care facility at the Emergency Management site.

Lead agency will pay Hazard pay for child care workers who have been working through this pandemic.

The lead agency has not yet decided on how we plan to use all the CRRSA allocations.

Sincerely, Kathy Hopen